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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Muderlak

Appln. No.: 10/678,865

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For: Automatic Flushing Actuator for Tank Style  
Toilets

Attorney Docket No: 11758/213

Examiner: Khoa D. Huynh

Art Unit: 3751

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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

☒ Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (check at least one of the following):☐ Previously submitted:☐ Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.☐ Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_☒ Attached is/are:☐ An Information Disclosure Statement☒ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings☒ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

☒ Small Entity Status:

☒ Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

☐ A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ and such status is still proper and desired.

☐ Is no longer desired.

☒ Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:

☒ A Request fee of \$395 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

☐ A suspension processing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i).

☐ An additional filing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (\_\_\_\_\_ additional independent claims and/or \_\_\_\_\_ additional total claims).

☒ An extension fee of \$510 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a three-month extension of time.

☒ Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):

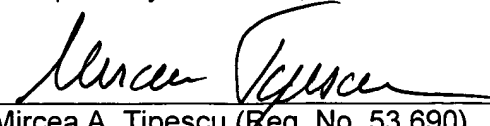
☒ Checks in the amount of \$395 and \$510 are enclosed.

☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

☐ A payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE). A copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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